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## MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

FROM:   
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SUBJECT: NWMP Intelligence Working Group Meeting of 19 May 1983

1. I attended the NWMP Intelligence Working Group (IWG) meeting of 19 May 1983. The meeting opened with a status report by the Chairman, Tish Vajta, on briefings that she had given to the Intelligence Management Consultative Group and to Congressional staffers. Ms. Vajta said that rumors of difficulties at the "upper levels" with the thrust of the IWG efforts were not true, but that institutional problems had arisen. She added that these problems were "being addressed at a higher level," and that she hoped that the Working Group members would continue to support the program in that we had only addressed the "tip of the iceberg." She also noted that she would be briefing the DDCI and Dr. Wade early next week.

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2. The Chairman directed the attention of the members to a new task (see Attachment A) which she said was an outgrowth of recent briefings that she had presented to "Congressional staffers." The Task is to assess survivable intelligence collection and processing capabilities in the 1985-1989 time frame. Ms. Vajta said that the purpose was to address the existing system within the current time frame to identify which programs could be made survivable with a minimum effort. The target date for completion of the task is August.

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3. Jim Brooks, of the Program Assessment and Evaluation Office, and LtCol Don Walker, SAFSP, presented a status report on cost factors for the various collection mixes that were being developed under Task 5. The Task 5 Subpanel is developing proposed mixes of collectors that will provide varying degrees of response to military requirements for intelligence information during the trans- and post-SIOP period. LtCol Walker cautioned that, while some relatively accurate cost figures were available for specific collectors, there were systems within each mix option for which costing data were not available, and that any figures given would be extremely rough estimates. A copy of one of the proposed mix options is attached (Attachment B).


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4. The Working Group received two briefings, one by Colonel Hugh Hinds on Strategic Force Endurance, and the other by Major Tom Scanlon on Space Systems Architecture. The Space Systems Architecture Study is being conducted by the Air Force and was based on the Reconnaissance System Review, Alternate II decision. The latter briefing raised questions in two areas. One chart contained the recommendation, "Aggressively integrate space systems into military forces." When challenged, the briefer noted that this recommendation applied to Air Force systems only, and not to national systems. The second item involved MILSTAR. The briefer noted that the NWMP C<sup>3</sup> Panel had concluded that MILSTAR was not necessary at the minimum essential requirement level; the CinCs, however, were on record as stating that MILSTAR was required. 

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Attachments (2)

- A. New Task Paper
- B. Proposed Mix Options (BYE 2958-83)

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SURVIVABLE INTELLIGENCE COLLECTION AND PROCESSING  
CAPABILITIES IN THE 1985 THROUGH 1989 TIMEFRAME

PREPARE A REPORT SPECIFICALLY FOCUSSED ON INTELLIGENCE COLLECTION AND PROCESSING CAPABILITIES IN THE 1985 THROUGH 1989 TIMEFRAME WHICH:

- DESCRIBES THE MINIMUM ESSENTIAL INTELLIGENCE REQUIREMENTS OF THE PRESIDENCY AND THE NMCS.
- DESCRIBES THE THREAT TO INTELLIGENCE COLLECTION, PROCESSING, AND ASSOCIATED COMMUNICATIONS CAPABILITIES PRIOR TO AND DURING GENERAL NUCLEAR WAR.
- IDENTIFIES THOSE EXISTING AND PROGRAMMED COLLECTION AND PROCESSING CAPABILITIES THAT HAVE, OR WITH A RELATIVELY SMALL INVESTMENT COULD HAVE, A REASONABLE POTENTIAL TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE PARTIAL SATISFACTION OF THE MINIMUM ESSENTIAL INTELLIGENCE REQUIREMENTS.
- IN COLLABORATION WITH AGENCIES OF PRIMARY INTEREST, ESTABLISH A PRIORITIZED LIST OF POTENTIAL NEAR TERM SYSTEM ENHANCEMENT OPTIONS, WITH COSTS, THAT WOULD IMPROVE THE SATISFACTION OF MINIMUM ESSENTIAL INTELLIGENCE REQUIREMENTS IN THE 1985 THROUGH 1989 TIME FRAME. THE PROGRAM SHOULD BE COMPATIBLE WITH OTHER SURVIVABLE INTELLIGENCE RELATED PROGRAMS THAT WILL BE OPERATIONAL IN THIS TIMEFRAME AS WELL AS WITH LONG TERM SURVIVABLE INTELLIGENCE COLLECTION AND PROCESSING RELATED INITIATIVES

THE REPORT SHOULD BE PUBLISHED BY 1 SEPTEMBER 1983.

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